

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7, 13, 21, 27, and 29-30 as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of creating a strong pass phrase, the method comprising:

obtaining a plurality of questions and a plurality of answers corresponding to the plurality of questions;

combining the plurality of answers into a single pass phrase, wherein the plurality of answers are concatenated together with a fixed random value and a cryptographic hash function is applied to the concatenation to create a hashed answer;

storing the hashed answer on a remote server without storing the plurality of answers on the remote server; and

obtaining a retrieval question and a retrieval answer, the retrieval answer being used to display the plurality of questions.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the plurality of questions are obtained by displaying a plurality of partial questions and obtaining completions to said plurality of partial questions.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the pass phrase is used to wrap data to be stored in a remote server.

7. (Canceled)

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9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium for use in conjunction with a client workstation and a server for creating a strong pass phrase, the computer readable medium including computer readable instructions encoded thereon for:

obtaining a plurality of questions and a plurality of answers corresponding to the plurality of questions; and

combining the plurality of answers into a single pass phrase, wherein the plurality of answers are concatenated together with a fixed random value and a cryptographic hash function is applied to the concatenation to create a hashed answer;

storing the hashed answer on a remote server without storing the plurality of answers on the remote server; and

obtaining a retrieval question and a retrieval answer, the retrieval answer being used to display the plurality of questions.

16. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 15, further including computer readable instructions encoded thereon for transmitting the plurality of questions to a remote server.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)

19. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 15, wherein the plurality of questions are obtained by displaying a plurality of partial questions and obtaining completions to said plurality of partial questions.

20. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 15, wherein the pass phrase is used to wrap data to be stored in a remote server.

21. -34 (Canceled)

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